



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: K.T. Venkateswara Rao	Examiner: Unassigned
Serial No. 10/668,077	Art Unit: 3731
Filed: September 22, 2003	
Title: Drug-Eluting Stent And Methods Of Making Same	

Commissioner for Patents
USPTO
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Applicant requests the current status of the patent application referenced above.

Respectfully submitted,

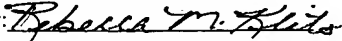
Charles E. Runyan, Jr. Ph. D.
Attorney for Applicants
Reg. No. 43,066

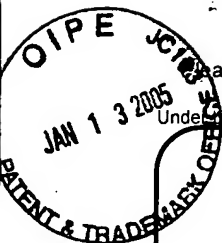
Date: January 10, 2005

Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P.
One Maritime Plaza
Suite 300
San Francisco, CA
Facsimile (415) 393-9887
Telephone 415.954.0235
crunyan@ssd.com

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 10, 2005

By: 
Name of person signing certification



PTO/SB/21 (08-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → ☐ +

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**TRANSMITTAL
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Application Number 10/668,077

Filing Date September 22, 2003

First Named Inventor K.T. Venkateswara Rao

Group Art Unit 3731

Examiner Name Unassigned

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

3

Attorney Docket Number 50623.00409

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account 07-1850 Authorization	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Postage Paid Return Postcard	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawings Formal ____ Sheets with Submission of Drawings Transmittal	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Office Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate)	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request for Status of Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 and References	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application	Remarks	
<input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm or Individual name Squire, Sanders & Demosey L.L.P.
Charles E. Runyan, Jr. Ph. D. Reg. No: 43,066

Signature

Date

January 10, 2005

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this date January 10, 2005

Typed or printed name Rebecca Klits

Signature

Rebecca M. Klits

Date

January 10, 2005

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.